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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Federal Highway Representatives - 6 September 1983

- l. In response to agreements between the Deputy Director for Administration and Mr. Lester Lamm, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the undersigned and Deputy Chief, New Building Project Office, OL, met with the following FHWA representatives:
 - a. Thomas Edick, Central Office
 - b. Norm Loeffler, Central Office
 - c. Harold Wieland, Eastern Direct Federal Division
 - d. Otto Mayr, Eastern Direct Federal Division
 - e. Roy Crawford, Eastern Direct Federal Division
- 2. The visitors were given a quick briefing on the New Building program with emphasis on the roads issues, their background, and actions being taken to resolve them. It was indicated that we were receptive to any assistance FHWA could render, particularly in the areas of traffic management and parking management strategies.
- 3. Mr. Edick offered assistance in reviewing the work of the Virginia Department of Highways & Transportation and their consultant. The collective group spent considerable time in discussing the traffic projections and possible design solutions but without conclusion.
- 4. Mr. Edick expressed the opinion that use of government shuttles from mass transportation transfer points to the Agency is legal. He was apprised that our General Counsel has repeatedly found this not to be true. The undersigned promised to have a representative from the Office of General Counsel contact Mr. Edick to pursue this subject in depth.
- 5. Progress on the Parkway acceleration lane under study by FHWA was questioned. Mr. Mayr stated that the Park Service has requested an updated estimate of cost for the project that now includes a stone-faced barrier in the Parkway median strip. He stated that the Park Service had requested the addition of the stone barrier, resulting in a new estimate of \$700,000. He confirmed that the barrier is not required for safety. The Park Service has advised them that funding may occur in FY-84 or -85 but has not requested that the detailed design be started. The FHWA representatives offered to share their work on this project with us after coordinating with the Park Service.

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- 6. On the subject of a proposed lane addition at Routes 193 and I-495, Mr. Edick felt that action would be up to the State of Virginia. The undersigned stated that we understood that it would be up to the Agency to approach the State if this proposal were to be pursued.
- 7. The visitors were cooperative and helpful. However, they were unable to identify any significant role for themselves, given the current working relationships with the State and Park Service.

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